Whims of the Idler.

Vaccination Instead of Family Prayers

The modern adage, "Try it on the log," works beautifully in almost every experiment conceivable, but it doesn't to with vaccination. The encyclopedias which add so much lustre to our extempore remarks and hastily prepared writings) inform us that even the ploneers in inoculation usually tried it first on their children and then branched out on other material.

Charming Lady Wortley Montagu, whose name will always stand enshrined in the world of science and literature, went through some harrowing experiences before she became an authority in smallpox—if she was ever so recog-

ce has since taken the business

Mary, the wife of William III., Prince of Orange, and daughter of James II. of England, had died of the same malady in England in 1594. Or if this instance did not satisfy him, he could have found many other royal precedents, for in olden times it was no uncommon thing for the noxious disease to invade palaces as well as hovels.

This urchin undertakes to resist at the But all this is drifting away from the last moment and thereby shocks the fam-mbject—from the situation which con-

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The Green Cards Tell the Story



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unfolding to you an event that has cost us weeks and weeks of hard work and faithful planning. The whole working force of this organization is back of this, the initial, sale of the spring season. In the morning you will be welcomed to this spring emporium. The thoughts of the song bird and sunshine are everywhere, so come and share in this the Spring Festival of the store of the people. Come!

Concerning the New Spring Suits

lar and vests, half length sleeves, nicely lined, full flare circular skirts, plaited panel front and back, at. . \$15.00 and \$17.50

Eton Suits of Panama, in rose, Alice blue, sage, blue black, stylishly trimmed with wide silk braid, high fitted girdle, new short sleeve, circular skirt, at......\$20.00

Attractive Suits of Panama, in gray, black and blue; the popular pony coat, with inlaid collar and vest of moire back and front of coat elaborately braided, circular skirt nobby Etons and Pony Coats, some elaborately trimmed and braided, others strictly tailored with velvet cuffs and collar;

Silk Suits.

White Goods.

NUMEROUS reasons why this stock should appeal to you. You will welcome such a showing if you could only glance at the display. Many worthy price concessions are offered this week. Profit by seeing them, won't

sale Monday; they are worth up Mercerized Figured Swisses, a beau

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Smart Waists.

THIS Spring time event is one of unusual interest. The choicest gathering of the latest waist thoughts at prices correct in every particular. So see them!

White Lawn Waists, with band of embroidery down front joined with Val.

front, richly trimmed with Val. lace, cuffs with lace to match, several differ-

Handsomé Lingerie Waists of mull and sheer linen, hand-embroidered and daintily trimmed with Val. lace in effective designs; special at\$2.98

Very fine Lingerle Walsts, in the sheerest linens, batiste and dotted Swisses, trimmed in Val. lace and embroidered in dainty designs, with short sleeves lace trimmed; prices, \$3.08 to \$6.48

White Net and Jap. Silk Walsts, with all-over yoke of baby irish lace, cluster tucking front, back and sleeves, others richly trimmed in Val., at \$3.98 and \$5

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The latest novelty in Silks, "Rubaiyat" Pure Silk Rough Shantung in lovely shades, beware of cotton imitations, 75c Fancy Taffetas and Louisines, in checks and other designs50c

Fancy Silks, in many choice figures, among them \$1.00 values79c Plain Pongee Silk, in the natural

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has since been built, has reached the limit and again commenced the ascending scale.

The last nail has been drawn and the last stroke of the hammer has fallen upon the building condemned for removal. The sound of the saw and hammer is heard on every side in the work of rehabilitation.

Out of the partial wreck a half-dozen or more of the best residences and the best store-house in the place, a building 75-45 feet, well filled with goods, have been saved and the population is now on the increase.

Small lots have been thrown together and bright wire fences are stretching in every direction. The waste places are indeed building up.

The master spirit directing these improvements is Thos. L. Felts, of the Buildwin Detective Agency, who is now making preparations to creek a fifteen thousand-dollar brick residence on the most desirable site in this town.

W. E. Lindsey and S. H. Jackson are also making improvements in their places, it may be set down as a fact that Blair is neither dead nor sleepeth.

NEATEST JANITOR.

THE TOWN OF BLAIR.

Its Ups and Downs Are Now Turned All Up Grade.

town of Blair, which, as the terminus of the Cripple Creek extension of the Nor-

folk and Western, built up so rapidly

a few years ago, and so suddenly declin-ed after the road was extended to Ga-lea, or rather to the place where Galax has since been built, has reached its limit and again commenced the ascend-

home after a visit to her aunt, Mrs. Portla L. Morrison, of Hampden-Sidney. Rev. and Mrs. H. Tucker Graham most pleasantly entertained the following young ladies at tea on Friday evening, March 9th: Misses Margaret White, Katherine Pennybacker, Elizabeth Sterrett, Elaine Toms, Mary Glasgow and Gertrude Davidson, Again on Tucsday evening, March 18th, Mr. and Mrs. Graham were the kind hosts of Misses Ligzle, Caldwell, Eva Walters, Ella Dillard, Margaret Tucker, Mildred Tucker and Wirt Davidson.



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